

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

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EXPLORATION OF GAS IN M.P.
LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the places where gas has been struck due to exploration carried out in Madhya Pradesh; and
- (b) the places where preliminary work has either been taken up or a decision to start exploration has been taken?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas (Shri Santosh Kumar Gangwar)

(a): As a result of exploratory efforts, by Oil & Natural Gas Corporation(ONGC), occurrence of non-commercial gas has been indicated in the Proterozoic sequence in the well, Jabera-1, drilled in the Vindhyan basin of Damoh district of Madhya Pradesh(M.P). Another well Anthoni-1, drilled in Satpura basin in Chindwara District of M.P. gave indications of dissolved gas on testing in Gondwana sequence.

(b) Based on the geo-scientific surveys, ONGC has drilled a number of wells in M.P. of which one exploratory well, Damoh-1 is currently under testing. In order to detail structural leads and delineate possible structural prospects, 2D seismic data acquisition by ONGC is also in progress in Tekapari-Bamni-Tamia area.

In addition, the Directorate General of Hydrocarbons(DGH) had carried out 183 LKM of speculative 2D seismic survey in the past, in Rewa area of eastern M.P. to upgrade the existing geoscientific information of the area.